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REFERENCES ☐PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) REMARKS 

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1. During the period from 11 a.m. on 31 August to 11 a.m. on 1 September 40 motor vehicles including 10 to 12 radio trucks, 4 of which had an extended radio mast, 8 meters high, arrived in Stalag I south of the Luckenwalde (N 53/Z 90)-Frankenfelde and Luckenwalde-Frankenfoerde road fork. (1)

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2. At 1:30 p.m. on 28 August, a train carrying 4 x 76-mm AA guns, 5 trucks, 2 sedans, ☐ and 8 to 12 boxcars arrived at the Jueterbog (N 52/E 69) railroad station where it was sidetracked. (2)

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3. On 26 and 27 August, ☐ observed only training activity in the Dessau-Aken area on the Elbe River between Dessau (N 52/E 17) and Magdeburg (M 53/Y 60). On 26 August, about 80 soldiers started building a bridge across the Elbe River about 100 meters west of Brambach. Piles were driven into the banks and in the middle of the river. About 35 pontoons and 10 motor boats were moored in the river. Bridge-building equipment including logs and boards were piled up at the site. Six to 8 amphibious cars practiced river crossing from a platform at the hemp factory by kilometer markers, 271 and 272. (3)

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4. At 5 a.m. on 4 August, 8 or 9 trucks ☐ and personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets were entrained on an undetermined number of flatcars and 20 boxcars at the Schoenhausen (M 53/Y 95) railroad station. The same train was seen at the Wustermark (N 53/Z 55) railroad station in the evening. (4)

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(1) On 26 August 1952, ☐ the troops quartered in Stalags I and II left the installation and the unit previously quartered in the Norddeutsche Maschinenfabrik in Luckenwalde moved in. ☐ motor vehicles of the 91st Gds RL Regt with the arriving trucks. It was concluded that this regiment would move to the Stalags. ☐ Stalag I has been occupied, since mid-June 1952, by a signal repair shop of the GOFG which had been stationed on the Friedrich Ebert Ring in Rathenow prior to that time. ☐ It is conceivable that this repair shop received radio trucks for repair on about 1 September but that this installation was not newly occupied.

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- (3) The crossing practices in the area west of Brambach and at the hemp factory were possibly performed by units of the unidentified engineer regiment of the GDFG which is stationed in a camp on Hirschleckerdamm north of the Dessau-Aken road.
- (4) Vehicles of the Third Shock Army were entrained.

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